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Previous references.

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(~~Plague~~ Sanitary)

Serial Nos. 16 15

Later references.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 16 15

Major **Part B for** October 1902.

SUBJECT.

Discontinuance of issuing death certificates in the Cantonment Station Bangalore

Cantonment L.V.

From the 1st Asst to the Resident in Mysore.

No. 4395/1851 / 9850 No. 187 of 24·1·02.

States that the system of requiring certificates of the cause of death to be obtained prior to the removal of any dead body has been discontinued in the Cantonment Station with effect from January 1902.

P 68/1901

2. To the Senior Surgeon & Sanry: Commissioner

No. 2808 of 4·2·02

Forwards copy of letter No. 187 dated 24·1·902 from

GPB—3,500—21-7-14

the 1st Asst to the Resident for opinion as to whether the System of requiring Certificates of the Cause of death to be obtained prior to the removal of any dead body may be discontinued in the cities of Bangalore and Mysore.

3. From the Senior Surgeon & Surgy Commissioner
by No. 4596. No. 424 of 6.2.02.

Expresses opinion in the matter of Continuance of the System of granting death Certificates prior to the removal of the dead body.

4. To the Presidents of the Bangalore & Mysore city
No. 1496-7 of 27.2.02.
LBP 1533

Requests to give his Views as to the Continuance or otherwise of the System of granting death certificates which has been Abolished in the Cantonment Station of Bangalore with effect from 1st January 1902.

5. From the President Mysore city Municipality.
by No. 12293 No. 108 of 20.3.02.
LBP. 5587

Forwards Copy of docket No. 1653 dated 16.3.902 from T.V. Kuppasamy Mudliar who was Chief Plague Officer in the city and States that the present System of granting death certificates may be discontinued

6. From the President Bangalore city Municipality
by No. 1294 No. 309 of 31.3.902.
LBP. 5820

Submits a Copy of the Board's resolution dated 27.3.902 deciding that the present System of issuing death certificates be discontinued.

Memo for orders.

Reference.- Letter No.169P.dated the 24th January 1902 from the First Assistant to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, in re, discontinuance of the system of requiring certifates as to the cause of death in the C & M Station, Bangalore.

Vide page 33of the Compilation.

Regulation 19 of the Ori-ginal City Regulations issued under the Epidemic Diseases Regulation, 1897 (Notification No.9384-Mis.F.21-96, dated 10th February 1898) as finally amended by No.Pg.1467 dated the 31st January 1899 runs as follows:-

19. "In any locality to which this rule is applied by the Plague Commissioner, the President may by an order require that the certifi-cate of a medical Officer shall be obtained showing the cause of every death within two hours after such death.

After the issue of such an order, if a burial or cremation takes place without such a certificate having been obtained, the death may be presumed to have been due to plague"

2. This rule was brought into force in the Bangalore City under the orders of the late Plague Commissioner from the 5th January'99.

Serial No.12.

Notification No 5230 & 28-12-1898.

3. On the 22nd March 1901 the First Assist. Resident addressed the Durbar on the above subject, and in doing so observed that in December ~~last~~/900 the Govt. of India objected to the system on the ground that it was akin to corpse inspection which they had entirely prohibited in paragraph 18 of their Resolution in the Home Deptt. No.1739-1804 dated the 16th July 1900. He said that the Govt. of India pointed out that the advantages aimed at by the Rule could ~~==~~ be secured by treating as due to plague for purposes of disinfection and the like, all deaths which were not ascertained to be attributable to any other cause, and informed that the Resident having urged a reconsideration of the Govt. of India Orders advancing among others the argument that the system observed in the Civil and Military Station was on the same lines as that working in the Bangalore City where it was believed the inspection of corpses was always made without any objection having been preferred or any complaint made as to delay in removing corpses from houses and pointed out that for obvious reasons it was desirable that the same arrangements should operate in the Civil and Military Station and in the City; the Govt. of India recognising the force of the argument had consented tentatively to the continuance of the present system of granting death certificates in the Civil and

Letter No.975 dated 22nd March 1901. Serial No.21.

Copy put up.

and Military Station.

The First Assist. to the Resident also stated that in view of the decrease in the number of plague cases, the desirability of abolishing the grant of death certificates might be taken into consideration as in the Home Deptt. Resolution above referred to it was pointed out that even an experienced medical officer found much difficulty in diagnosing cases of death from plague except where there were clear bubonic symptoms, and ~~this~~ that fact largely detracted from the value of the death certificate. He added that what was desired in the ordinary times was to find out how many deaths occur per diem, and that could be ascertained with a fair approximation to accuracy by careful registration of mortality statistics and diligent comparison of those figures with the records of cremations and burials. The onus of proving that the cause of death was not plague must then be thrown on the householder and in all cases in which that was not satisfactorily proved, disinfection should follow. The result, he pointed out, was likely to be a sensible increase in the measures of dis-infection, and enquired whether, if ~~this~~ such a system was adopted in the C & M Station in the place of that of grant-ing death certificates, the Durbar would be prepared to follow a similar course in Bangalore City.

4. A copy of this letter having been sent to the Plague Comr. for opinion that Officer invited the opinion of the Senior Surgeon and the Chief Plague Officer, Bangalore City, on the subject.

Letter No.1215 dated 23-3-01.
(Serial No.2!

Letter 3872-3. dated 25-3-01.
(Serial No.23)

5. As the Senior Surgeon and the Chief Plague Officer, Bangalore City, were in favor of enforcing the present system of requiring death certificates in some form or other, the Assist. Resident was informed of the same with the observation that the difficulty of ascertaining the cause of death and the number of deaths in any particular area from enquiries at cremation and burial grounds was a real one and that as the people were fully reconciled to the present system which was working smoothly and without causing any hardship and as its advantages in securing correct returns of deaths and the causes of mortality were so great that the Durbar had no hesitation in deprecating its discontinuance.

Letter No.871 dated 1-4-01.
(Serial No.25)
" " 251 " 26-3-01.
(Serial No.24)

No.13154/L.B.(P)18 4-4-01.
(Serial No.26)

6. On this, the Dewan was pleased to order that the opinion of the Offg. Senior Surgeon Lt.Col. Smyth should be called for and that the First Assist. to the Resident should be asked to state the action taken thereon.

7. This was done.

No.13741/Mis.3561, 13-4-01. (SCW-29)
D.O. dated 12-4-01.(Serial No.28)

8. The Offg. Senior Surgeon replied as follows:-

No.929P., 16-4-01.
(Serial No.30)

"
"The object of death certificates
"
should be threefold.

" (a) To estimate the death rate and

" and its incidence of a particular epi
"-demic disease, e.g. Plague.
" (b) To estimate the death rate from
" individual causations.
" (c) To estimate the total death rate.
" 3. I think I am right in saying
" that till the out-break of plague in
" epidemic form in Bangalore, no system
"-atic attempt was ever made in Banga-
"lore to estimate the death rate accu-
"rately.
" Now it is quite clear and
" universally recognized that every
"well regulated community should attend
" carefully to these matters alike from
" a practical and scientific point of
"view, and my earnest hope is that now
" that a satisfactory beginning has
"been made- nay more, now that the work
" of Registration is being fairly satis
"-factorily carried out and is orga-
" nized on fairly good lines, no step
" shall be taken which shall imperil
" this useful work in the future. The
" people of Bangalore are now well ac
" -customed to Registration and only
" require tact and firmness to establish
" it as a recognized procedure for all
" time.
4. " At the same time it is right
" to enquire into the working of the
" present Registration rules, and where
" possible, to mitigate their severity,
" if found severe in any respect. It
" would appear that the matter of corpse
" inspection is the point which present
" the greatest difficulty just now. Yet

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X Serial No 25

"Yet Col. Benson in his No.871 of 1st
"April 1901, near the end says:-" the ~~av~~
been
"aversion to it having got over here with-
"-out the slightest trouble, I fail to
"see &c.".This being so, certificates
" after corpse inspection being the right
" and proper scientific method should be
" continued. However while Col. Benson's
" assertion is quite correct in regard
" to times of actual epidemic disease I
" doubt very much whether in non-epide-
" mic times actual corpse inspection will
" continue to be acceptable to the peo-
" ple- Indeed it could only be so to a
" purely scientific community and the
" public are anything but scientific
" here or elsewhere. Rather therefore
" than wait till the people rose up a-
" gainst this procedure-a procedure
" which they bore with fortitude in epi-
" demic invasions of disease,- I think it
" would be well to relax this rule in
" non-epidemic seasons. But disposal of
" the dead without certificate before re-
" moval of the corpse from where death
" took place should not be thought of or
" permitted for a moment. Better a wrong
" certificate than no certificate at all.
" If there is a dispute, the Health Offi-
" cer should be called in and his deci-
" sion should be final.Difficulty can
" only arise in cases of sudden death,
" and as Mr. Chokki says, actual inspection
" of the body is not necessary to enable
" a skilled medical Officer to come to a
" very shrewed conclusion as to the ac-

"-tual cause of death- its suddenness
"-the fact of other recent deaths having
"taken place there or in the vicinity
"the ~~per~~pre-valence of peculiar illnesses
"in the house itself &c, &c.- these
"and other points which will suggest
"themselves to trained medical men
"will go a long way- perhaps much a longer
"way in helping to arrive at a conclu-
"sion as to the cause of death than
"any corpse inspection could do espe-
"cially in cases of plague.

"I am therefore of opinion
"that at all times a certificate of
"the cause (or probable cause) of
"death should be obtained before re-
"moving a dead body from the house in
"which the death occurred. (obviously
"medico legal casses must be specially
"dealt with in the ordinary way); but
"that in time of epidemic the more ra-
"dical and scientific procedure of ac-
"tual corpse inspection should be car-
"ried out."

9. After some D.O.correspondence between the Secretary and the First Assist. Resident, the latter Officer now states that the system of requiring certificates of the cause of death to be obtained proir to the removal of any dead body has been discontinued in the C & M Station of Bangalore with effect from the 1st January 1902.

(Serial Nos.31,32and33)

Letter No.187P., 24-1-02.
(Serial No.34)

10. On this the Dewan observed:-

"I think we may follow suit.

"Please send this to the 1st Councillor
"and let me know his views and the action
"he takes thereon."

//. As directed by the 1st Councillor the opinion of the Senior Surgeon was again called for. No.12808/L.B.(P)1426, 4-2-02 (Serial No.35)

/2. The Senior Surgeon says that he is still of opinion that the system of requiring death certificates of the cause of death prior to the removal of dead body should be continued though actual inspection of the corpse might be discontinued. No.424P., 6-2-02.

Secy Sd ~~to Secy~~ Jr Secretary.
14/2/02

Sd
14/2/1902

16/2/1902

To the Hon'ble Councillor

R? 17/2/02
1620

The precis Containing the opinions of Col Benson & of Colsmyth I agree with them that it is not desirable to do away with the System of requiring death Certificate before the removal of dead body. The System is well understood by the people & works smoothly There have been no Complaints It is invaluable for Statistical & Scientific purposes &

I will be a pity
to give it up altogether
for the sake of uniformity
of procedure or because
it may have caused
inconvenience & given
rise to complaints
elsewhere

M Ramanadan
19th Feb 1902

Submitted to the
Dewan.
20/2/1902

3491
20.2.02

The question now
discussed is one of every day
occurrence and in view
of the importance of the
question as certain the
views of the Presidents
of the Mysore & Bangalore
municipalities - when
read in connection with other
Communications also on the
same question opinions

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Office note Contd

13. The opinion of the Presidents of the Bangalore & Mysore Municipalities was called for as ordered by the Dewan on 21. 2. 1902.

× 14196-7 / 2B(1) 1533 dated 27. 2. 1902 Ser(2no 37.

14. The President, Mysore city Municipality, in consultation with Mr T. V. Kuppa Sami Moodliar, Asst Surgeon & late chief Plague officer, Mysore city reports that. the system of granting death certificates may be discontinued on the score of its causing inconvenience to the public at large.

* No 108 of 20. 3. 1902

15. The President Bangalore City Municipality is also of the same opinion which is further supported by

No 309 of 31. 3. 1902

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Resolution of the Board ~~arrived at by the Members of that Board~~ at a Meeting held on the 27th March 1902 ~~and~~ which reads as follows:—

Resolved that the present system of issuing death certificates be discontinued, the report of deaths being made compulsory and persons failing or evading to report deaths being prosecuted."

Vms
5/4/02

Srbd ~~to Secretary.~~

BB
5/4/1902

To the ~~Secretary~~ 1st Councillor

Rc 7/4/02
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7/4

Submit & Redraw
My opinion has already been given. I do not see any reason to change it
8/4/1902

Submitted to the Sec

10/4/1902

Rec
6.4.02
4091

Kindly arrange
and as requested
obtain the opinions
of the other Counsellors
also

Circulate. 11.4.02

11/4

This was a most-
stringent measure forced
upon us at a time
when Plague was new
& obscure. There seems
now no adequate
justification for its
continuance.
There is ample provi-
sion in the General
Regulations for the report
and registration of
deaths - This is all
that seems really
required - We have in
general respects relaxed
the rigor of our original
Rules & Regulations
see why in the

particular case before us we should not do likewise die com-
mon with the C. & A. Station and with British India
I am therefore in favor of the abroga-
tion of this Rule.

C. A. Greenough

13/4/02

I am decided
in favor of the
discontinuance of
the death contingent
operation. I cannot
support a contingent
charge taken out of the
fund in connection
with any amend-
ment of
the Constitution
but with the members
of the Board, in which
death has taken
place between the
meetings of the
Board in order to
do away with

Office note continued.

13 The subject was placed before the council, under the orders of the Dewan, and in accordance with the resolution adopted in the meeting of the 25th July 1902 a notification was issued cancelling "death certificates " in the Cities of Ban-galore and Mysore.

14 ~~The~~ Plague having since assumed an epidemic form in the Mysore city the system of "death certificates" was again revived in Mysore. (Notfn. No3616-L.B.P.175 dated 10th Septr. 1902)

S. no: 45

15 With his letter No57 dated 29th August 1902 the President, Ban-galore city Municipality, forwards letter No367 dated the 26th idem , from the Health Officer, Bangalore city, who urges the cancellation in the Bangalore city also of the noti-fication abolishing the "death cer-tificates"; his grounds are-

(a) that no complaint has been made by the people of any in-convenience they have been put to by the enforcement of the system,

(b) that the system is neces-sary to find out the prevalence of infectious diseases and that,

(c) neither the Sub-Registrars nor the burial ground watchmen can be expected to ~~to~~ give any accurate information as to the cause of death when qualified medical men find

I don't think there is much in all this. Bangalore looking at present not as bad as Mysore and no immediate action seems called for
25-9-02

find it difficult to arrive at a proper diagnosis even after inspection of the body, which as a rule is very rarely objected to, without the aid in many cases, of circumstantial and other evidence bearing on the case.

16 The President supports the Health Officer and the Senior Surgeon who was consulted in the matter states that when orders on the subject regarding Mysore city are definitely passed he would ask that the rule might be cancelled in Bangalore, tho' he fears that Government would not sanction it and that possibly if plague grows worse they might be induced to do so.

Vide 12/9/02 The President stated that he had made this reference on the suggestion of the Health Officer, without consulting the Board, which once decided* the discontinuance of the system of issuing death certificates.

Submitted to Secty.

23/9/1902

May the opinion of the Mil Bd be invited.

24/9

To the Dewan through the 2nd Councillor

B/126 24-9-02

27/9/02 27/9/02

Let us see about this - by the time we get the reply from Bangalore it will be now 2 C.

Jagirdar 26/9 Robertson 26/9 Hay 27/9

Bangalore is some extent a Mysore station - and it is unfortunate that a change of regulations in Bangalore should be made when Mysore is contemplating a change. 27/9/02

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* Vide President's letter No 309 & 318 dated March 1902 Serial No 39.

Dr. Hay 25/9 Let us see about this - by the time we get the reply from Bangalore it will be now 2 C.

(not continued)

17. The president, city municipality, Bangalore, was asked in this office by 4498/dis/205 dated 23.9.1902, to issue necessary instructions for the death reports of the burial & burning ground watchmen being transferred to the Registrars of Divisions who would compare them with the reports received by them & submit both to the Health Officer.

18. The Health officer Bangalore, in his letter No 586 dated 29 Sept 1902 to the address of the president stated that as the people of the city do not always confine themselves to any particular burial ground for the disposal of their dead & that when bodies are removed to the hospital or outside municipal limits, the number of deaths reported by the watchmen will not be complete, there would be difficulties to work the proposed System Satisfactorily & requested instructions whether to continue the present practice or to issue instructions to the burial ground watchmen to send their reports to the Registrars of the respective Divisions.

(b) The president forwarded the copy of the above to the Senior Surgeon Sanitary Commissioner, & requested that the existing practice of receiving such reports direct in the Health Office may be ordered to be continued as it ensures

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a correct method of collecting and checking the deaths.

(c) The Senior Surgeon with his letter No 785 dated No. 11. 1902 forwards the President's letter & states that he has no opinion to offer on the matter & that the present system needs no change. of the Health Officer perusing the reports of the Caretakers.

If the President thinks the reports of the Caretakers of the Cemeteries could be checked better by the Health Officer than the Sub Registrars, there seems to be no objection to continue the existing practice. tho' this was ordered to be discontinued, under the circumstances explained in our letter to the 1st Asst. Resident, No. 4428 × dated × Serial No 47 LB(P) 201 of 22nd September 1902. The object of the Govt is to get correct information & it is all the same whether the Caretakers Reports are sent to the Health Officer thro' the Sub Registrars or vice versa.

Submitted for orders.

18/11/1902 18/11

To the Diwan through the 2nd Councillor. } 7413 dd 21.11.02

Let the Health Officer continue to perform the duties mentioned in the letter reported. Telegram sent 20/11/02 Manager 21/11 21/11 26.XI.02 25/11/02

L.R. 263 19-11-02

Submitted

The file with the Council Resolution, re. "Death Certificate" was received in this branch on the evening of the 31st July 1902 for the issue of necessary orders; a draft was prepared on the 1st August 1902, which was with the approval of Mr. B. Venkoba Rao, on the same date forwarded to the Secretary, who was then in camp at Ingore. ~~on the same date~~

Mrs 21/8/02 Subd to the Secretary

BV 21/8/02

The delay was due to the ~~Dasahs~~ pressure of work at the time.

A draft order in accordance with the Private Secy's telegram is submitted for approval.

21/8

The Dewan.

R.A. 21-8-02. (through the 2nd Councillor)

Please resubmit this Case
on Wednesday or Thursday
next. I shall study the
question on the Labor
Question in case I
~~shall~~ go ~~not~~ to Keystone
on that day as intended.
The telegram has come &
no inconvenience will
be caused by a few
days delay.

Yours Sincerely
O Greenwaldemeyer

23/8/02

Hunt
7/23/8

MEMO OF PAPERS CIRCULATED TO COUNCILLORS FOR.....Opinion.

SUBJECT.

Discontinuance of the system of requiring certificates showing the cause of death prior to the removal of the dead body.

By Order,

A. Ulaganadayar

12.4.1902 *Secretary.*

V. P. Madhava Row, Esq., C.I.E. Secy by Cir.

C. Sreenivasiengar, Esq. Opinion attached 13/4/02

Rao Bahadur C. Madiah, Esq. 14/4

The Secretary

MGCPB—22-3-01—250

Submitted after circulation to the Dewan—

21/4

Read 21.4.02 4225

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The certificate system discontinued—for ascertaining the death on the application of Madras—

Send resolution by circulation

19.VII.02

24/7

Draft Resolution submitted.

24/7/1902

EXTRACT FROM THE JOURNAL OF THE ~~MEETING~~ Prop: of the Govt: of Mysore.
~~OF THE COUNCIL~~
By Circulation.

DATED 25th July 1902.

RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:—

That the Rule laid down in Government Notification No. 9384 dated 10th February 1898 and amended by Notification No. Pg. 1467 dated the 31st January 1899, requiring that a certificate should be obtained from a Medical Officer as to the cause of a person's death, before the removal of that dead body, in the cities of Bangalore and Mysore, be cancelled, and that the Sub Registrars appointed in the Bangalore and Mysore Municipalities for the purpose of recording births and deaths, be held responsible to furnish, whenever required, correct information as to the cause of deaths, as well as their number, which information may also be obtained from watchers in every burial and burning grounds.

Mis 7. 21-96

sd/- P. N. Krishna Murti.
Dewan-President

Copy to the Plague Deptt.

for Secretary.

31-7-02.

MGCPB—2-5-01—500.

Submitted to His Highness the Maharaja.

as called
For

26.VIII.02

File on the subject of making of Death Certificates in the cities of Mysore & Bangalore.

I have read the papers in the Case. I appreciate the reasons Connected with the general policy of the Govt of India which have led the Council to abolish Compulsory death certificates in Bangalore city. These reasons do not apply to Mysore City and in view of the clear opinions expressed by Colo Benson & Smyth, Dr Choksy & the late plague Commr. I should like to see the Compulsory certificate system given a further trial in Mysore City. 28/8/02

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Let this go on from the present

31.VIII.02

Submitted to Secty for orders as to whether the draft herein may issue & the file sent to the Commissioner for information.

3/9/1902

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10/9/02

T—14.

My dmp 45

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25 Sept 11

P. N. Krishna Murthi Esqr Dewan Mysore

Private Secretary to Maharaja

His Highness deprecates order dated thirteenth August Abolishing Compulsory death Certificate requests suspension as regards my province city wherein plague now epidemic please telegraph local authorities accordingly

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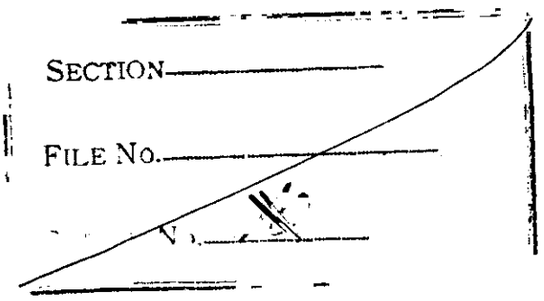

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Let death certificates con-
-tinue till further orders.

18 VIII.02

CBP) 4395

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OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT
9850
28 JAN. 1902
MYSORE

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From

THE FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE
HON'BLE THE RESIDENT
IN MYSORE.

Subd to 1st Commissr

29/1/1902

To

THE DEWAN OF MYSORE.

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Dated

Despatched 24/1/02

Received

General No. 187

No.

Enclosure No.

SECTION Samj

FILE No. 34

Stating that the system of requiring Certificates of the Cause of death to be obtained prior to the removal of any dead body, has been discontinued in the C & M Stn. with effect from 1st Jany/02

Dewan's Orders.

I think we may follow Seil. Please send this to the 1st Cr and let me know his views and the action he takes thereon.

Subd. P. N. K
26. 1. 1902

References to be marked.

Read at 4.30 P.M.

28/1/02

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Please send this
to the Committee
with the usual

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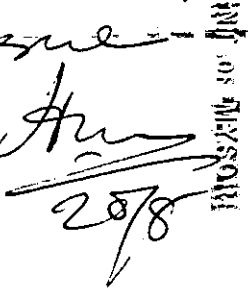
& delaying



Read & noted

21/8/02

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OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE
9850
28 JAN. 1902
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From

THE FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

THE DEWAN OF MYSORE.

47

Dated

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Sub-d to 1st Commissr

JB

29/1/1902

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FILE NO. 34

SERIAL NO. 47

Plg Sec 28/1/02

Dewan's Orders.

I think we may follow Secl. Please send this to the 1st Cr and let me know his views and the action he takes thereon.

Sd. P. N. K

26. 1. 1902

References to be marked.

Read at 4.30 P.M.

Sub-

Secy

28/1/02

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FROM

C. L. S. RUSSELL, Esq., I. C. S.,
FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT
IN MYSORE.

To

The Dewan of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Dated Bangalore 24th January 1902.

SIR,

With reference to the demi-official Correspondence ending with this office letter dated the 15th July 1901, I am directed to state for the information of the Durbar that the system of requiring Certificates of the Cause of death to be obtained prior to the removal of any dead body has been discontinued in the Civil and Military station of Bangalore with effect from the 1st January 1902.

2. A Copy of the letter addressed to the District Magistrate

of the Civil and Military
station on this subject
is enclosed.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

L. Russell.

First Assistant Resident
(69)

No. 3446 P., dated Bangalore, the 21st December 1901,

From—C. L. S. Russell, Esq., I. C. S., First Assistant to the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore.
To—The District Magistrate and President of the Municipal Commission, C. & M. Station, Bangalore.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No. 2600, dated the 23rd October 1901, I am directed to state that it has now been finally decided that the system of requiring certificates of the cause of death to be obtained prior to the removal of any dead body should be discontinued with effect from the 1st January 1902. In pursuance of this decision the Resident has issued the accompanying notification cancelling rules 21 and 22 of the Notification No. 1919 P., dated the 15th October 1900, issued under the Epidemic Diseases Act of 1897.

2. The abolition of this system will make it the more necessary to ensure the detection of all plague cases and the upkeep of a proper record of them by the other means at your disposal. Registration of deaths occurring in the Civil and Military Station is carried out by the Sub-Registrars appointed under Bye-law No. 8, issued under clause (1) (c) of section 137 of the Bangalore Municipal Law, and it is essential that the statistics recorded by these officers should be carefully checked by comparison with the returns which the persons having control over burial and burning grounds may be required to submit under clause 7 of Bye-law No. 10, issued under clause (1) (c) (v) of section 137 of the same law, and also by comparison with the reports which the subordinate plague establishment is required to submit under clause 6 of the Notification No. 1919P., dated the 15th October 1900. Full use should also be made of the reports which may be required of private medical practitioners under clause 19 of the same notification. By these means it should be possible to ensure that very few if any deaths occurring within the Civil and Military Station remain undetected.

3. Where death is ascertained to be due to plague, disinfection will be rigorously continued as heretofore. Where the cause of death is not definitely ascertainable it will lie with the District Medical Officers working under the control of the Residency Surgeon to exercise their discretion as to the cases in which disinfection should be carried out. They should cause it to be explained to the people through the agency at their disposal that disinfection will be insisted on in all cases in which there is reason to suspect that death has resulted from plague, and should urge them accordingly in all cases to obtain reliable evidence as to the cause of death from the private practitioners, if any, who attended the deceased, or by calling for their own services.

4. I am to request that you will at once take steps in conjunction with the Residency Surgeon to give effect to these orders.

5. The opportunity offered by the issue of the notification referred to in paragraph 1 of this letter has been taken to cancel or amend certain further clauses (2, 3, 6, 11, 19, 29, 31, 32, 33, 45 and 53) of the notification of the 15th October 1900. The amendments are in part subsidiary to the previous amending Notification No. 185 P., dated the 28th January 1901, and in part intended to bring the rules into accord with the present arrangements under which Superintendents of plague have been abolished.

Residency Press, Bangalore.—2-1-1902.—30.

THE HONOURABLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

Notification.

Dated Bngalore, the 21st December 1901.

No. 3447—P. In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section 3 of section 2 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, III of 1897, the Resident is pleased to make the following amendments in the Regulations issued with the Resident's Notification No. 1919 P., dated the 15th October 1900 :—

(i) In Regulation 2, for the word "detention" substitute the word "isolation."

(ii) In Regulation 3, for the words "the removal of sick or suspected persons to the places provided for them and the disinfection of their houses" substitute the words "the disinfection of the houses of sick or suspected persons," and omit the words "the Superintendents and." After the words "Residency Surgeon" add the words, "they will also transmit daily to the Health Officer a nominal roll of all deaths reported in their respective districts. These nominal rolls should give the name, address and diseases, if ascertained, of the deceased, with information as to how the cause of death has been ascertained."

(iii) For Regulation 6 substitute the following :—

Supervisors may be appointed for the purpose of keeping correct registers of the inmates of each house, and of the movements of the population. They shall report all cases of sickness and death to the District Medical Officers. They should explain to the people in their circles the necessity of registering their relatives' deaths, and should urge them to produce reliable evidence of the cause of their friends' or relatives' deaths and advise them, in the absence of other skilled opinion, to avail themselves of the District Medical Officer's services.

(iv) In Regulation 19, omit the words "not being in the service of Government," and add the words "of sickness or death" after the word "case."

(v) Cancel Regulations 11, 21, 22, 29 and 53.

(vi) In Regulations 31 and 32, substitute the word "housing" for the word "detention."

(vii) In Regulation 33 omit the words "and sick persons and those who have been in contact with sick persons who belong to the said family or caste may be removed to these hospitals or camps".

(viii) In Regulation 45 omit the words "and one such person" to the end.

"By Order."

C. L. S. RUSSELL,
First Assistant to the Resident.

Residency Press, Bangalore.—24-1-1902.—30.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

No 12009 84/2/02
Dbc) 1426

Here enter letter No 187/P
dated the 24th January 1902
from the First Assistant
to the Hon'ble the Resident
in Mysore ~~to the Secretary~~
Mysore in re ~~the Removal~~
& death certificates in
the Civil and Military
Station of Bangalore.

SECTION Samy
FILE V. 3 of 1901-02
SUB

Copy forwarded to the
Senior Surgeon and Sani-
tary Comr with the Govt of
Mysore, for favor of opi-
nion as to whether the
system of requiring certi-
ficates of the cause of death
to be obtained prior to
the removal of any dead
body may be discontinued
in the ~~Bangalore~~ City. Cities
of Bangalore and Mysore.
As in the C & Ms. Station. By order

JB 1/4/1902
for Secretary

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From 4240 6-2-02

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To H. Ramaiya Esqr.
Assistant Secretary to Govt.
Local Boards Branch
Bangalore

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SECTION Samy

FILE No. 3[illegible]

Dated

Despatched

Received

General No.

No.

Enclosure No.

Expressing opinion re the Continuance of the system of granting death certificates prior to the removal of the dead body.

Refers Govt

7/2/02 Put up Dated

Put up 8/2/02 Yes 8/2/02

Put up [illegible]

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MGCPB—3-3-01—50 reams.

From

Lt.Col. Percy H. Benson M.B, I.M.S,

Senior Surgeon and Sanitary Commissioner

with the Government of Mysore, Bangalore.

To

H. Ramaiya Esq

Assistant Secretary to Government

Local Boards Branch, Bangalore.

No 424 P

Dated 6th February 1902

Sir,

With reference to your No.12808/L.B.(P) 1426 of Serial No (35)

4-2-02, I have the honor to state in reply that I am still of Serial No (25)

opinion that the system of requiring certificates of the cause

of death prior to the removal of the dead body should be continued

though actual inspection of the corpse might be discontinued.

On this point Col. Smyth whilst officiating for me

was also of the same opinion. Serial No (30)

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Percy H Benson MB

Lt.Col.I.M.S.

Senior Surgeon and Sanitary Commissioner

Mysore Government.

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The Presidents of the Bangalore
+ Mysore city municipalities

SECTION Samy
FILE No. 39/1901-02
4.

No. 14196-7
dBB(P)1633
Dated 27-2-02

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Adverting to the late Cholera Commissioner's notification quoted in the margin regarding the grant of death certificates in the city ~~and~~ ~~seeing that~~ ~~the System~~ has been abolished in the C+M. Station of Bangalore with effect from 1st Jan. 02 has the honor to request that the President will be so good as to favor Govt with his views as to the System ~~in force~~ at present ~~Counting~~ ~~death Certificates~~ ~~Which~~ ~~be in force as~~ Continuance or otherwise of the ~~Counting~~ death Certificates which might Continue to

The favor of an early reply is requested.

By order
[illegible]
for Secy

× Bangalore city: No. 5230 dt 28-12-1898.
Mysore city No. 5884 dt. 13-1-1899.

10 RB(P) 5587

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FROM

The President
Mysore City
Municipality.

To

The Asst Secy. to
Govt in charge of the
Local Boards Branch
Bangalore

Dated

Despatched 20-3-02.

Received

General No. 108
No.

Enclosure No. Nil

SECTION Samp

FILE No. 3 of 1901-02

Reference with note
Early
22/3/02

Secretary's docket no
14196-7 dated 27.2.02
L.B(P) 1533
Calling for the opinion
of the Undersigned
about the Continuance
or otherwise of the
System of Granting
death certificates
in the Mysore City.

With reference to
the above, has the
honor to forward
Copy of docket No 1653
dated 16th March
1902 from Mr. T. V.
Kuppaswamy Municipal

who was till lately Chief Plague
Officer in the City and to State that
the present System of granting Health
certificates may as therein recommended
be discontinued.

C Mackillop
President.
Improvement City Municipality

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From,

Mr T.V. Kuppaswamy Medical

Assistant Surgeon

Mysore

To

The Dy Commissioner

Mysore District

Dated 16th March 1902

No 653.

With reference to his No. 70 dated 1st March 1902 forwarding for opinion copy of Secretary's docket No. 1496-7 L.B.O, 1533 dated 27 February 1902 re-granting of death certificates in the Mysore City, has the honor to inform that the issuing of death certificates may be discontinued, as it is causing inconvenience and delay to the general

public in removing the dead.

The system adopted in the Bangalore Contonment for registration of births and deaths may be adopted in the Mysore City also.

Sd/ G. V. Kuppaswamy Mudr.
Assistant Surgeon.

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Offg Commissioner
Mysore District

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From

THE PRESIDENT,

Bangalore City Municipality.

To Asst

THE SECRETARY TO THE

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE,

~~General and Revenue~~ Local Departments,

BANGALORE.

Dated 22

Despatched 31st March 1902

Received

General No. 309
No.

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FILE No. 30 [illegible]

Enclosure No. 1

Secretary's Docket

No. 14196 / 1533 dt 27th February 1902.

Submitting Board's Resolution re the issuing of death Certificates in the Bangalore City.

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Referred to with minute in Cont. Ens 28

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Office of the Municipal Commission,

City, Bangalore, 31st March 1902

No. 309
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From

THE PRESIDENT,
Municipal Commission,
BANGALORE CITY.

To Cert

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE,
~~*General and Revenue*~~ Local Boards *Departments,*
BANGALORE.

Sir,

With reference to your Docket No 14196-7 (P) 1533 dated the 24 February 1902 regarding the issue of death Certificates in the Bangalore City, I have the honor to submit herewith a Copy of the Board's resolution dated 24 March 1902 deciding that the present system of issuing death Certificates be discontinued.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obt Servt

Municipal Commissioner

Pte

Extract from the Proceedings
of the Board of 27th March 1902.

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18. Docket No. 111/196-7/LB(P)1533 dated
the 24th February 1902 from the
Secretary to the Government
of Assam, Local Branch, Department, Calling for opinion
as to the Continuance or otherwise
of the system of granting death
Certificates in the Bilasipara
City.

Resolved that the present System
of issuing death Certificates be discontinued, the
report of deaths being made
Compulsory and persons
failing or evading to report
deaths

Another thing forgotten at

(Sgd) de S. Narcyzo a Rio

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FROM Mysore

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SECTION Samy
FILE No. 30/190/02

Ramaiya Iyengar Esq
President city municipality
Mysore

Subd to Secretary 7

To

The papers on the subject are before the Durbar, having been submitted, after circulation, on the 21st ultimo.

RB
14/5/1902

Dated Genl and Rev. Depts &
Despatched } 10th May 1902
Received
General No. 866 23
No.

Enclosure No.

Requesting permission to discontinue the system of requiring the "Death certificates" in this city

Subd to the Durbar as contemplated
CM 15/5/02

Rd 14/5/02

Reference Engr
12/5/02

RB
13/5

C+F
13-5-02

No 866 19 The City Mil. office Mysore
Dated 10th May 1904

From

H. Ramanuja Iyengar Esqr
President City Municipality
Mysore

To

H. V. Narayandayyah Esqr M.A. M.L.
Secretary to the Govt of Mysore
General and Revenue Depts,

Sir,

I have the honor to state that on the motion of the Municipal Commissioner Mr. Narasimhaswamy, the question of discontinuing the system of requiring "Death Certificates", was brought before the Board and it was resolved to recommend its abolition. Mr. J. Weir alone was for the continuance of the system. The present Chief Plague officer in whom also is combined the office of the Health officer, is also of Mr. Weir's opinion. The Board was influenced in voting against the continuance of the system by the knowledge that the citizens of this place are fully alive to the usual safeguards against the spread of plague. They also consider that at way side Police Stations and at burial

burial grounds, arrangements may be made for a record being kept of the true causes of deaths. I consider that the time has now come to do away with the system

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
A Duncan Colby
For President

MCO

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Ur Lds 15/13 August 1902

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N O T I F I C A T I O N.

It is hereby notified for general information that the rule laid down in Government Notification No.9384-Mis.F.21-96 dated 10th February 1898 and amended by Notification No.Pg.1467 dated the 31st January 1899, reqiring that a certificate should be obtained from a medical Officer as to the cause of a person's death, before the removal of that dead body, in the cities of Bangalore and Mysore, is cancelled, and that the Sub-Registrars appointed in the Bangalore and Mysore Municipalities for the purpose of recording births and deaths, will be held responsible to furnish whenever required, correct information as to the cause of deaths, as well as their number, which information may also be obtained from watchers in every burial and burning ground

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By Order,

13/8/02 Secretary.

To

The Compiler Mysore Gazette for publn in 3 sucessive issues of the Gazette & with a request that 50 English spare copies may be frwarded to this Office

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Senr Assistant Secretary

Copies forwarded to the Dy. Crs & Presidents of the Bangalore & Mysore city Mlties for informn. & guidance

By Orer,

14 Aug 1902

Secretary

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Per 216 Nr 468

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OFFICE OF THE
Regd. No 1799
20 AUG 1902

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From

THE FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE
HON'BLE THE RESIDENT
IN MYSORE.

To

THE DEWAN OF MYSORE.

How do they manage this in the C & M Stns? Is there any record or note available?

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SECTION Dated 25 Aug 02 28
Despatched
FILE No. 102-1
Received
General No. 4348
No.

Enclosure No.

Submitted,

Please see serial no 34(a) on the file

4/9/1902

Enquiring in what manner the Darkar proposes to hold the Sub-Registrars responsible to furnish correct information as to the Cause of Deaths as well as their numbers.

The file was read by the Hon'ble Mr Nicholson

8/9/1902

Submitted.

The reference bearing on the subject was submitted to the 2d. Cr on the 21st inst

Mus
28/8/02

References to be marked.

Rlog. Subd to Secty.

I think the file is now before the Dewan.

25/8/1902

MGCPB—2,000—30-7-01.

No. 4343

FROM

C. L. S. RUSSELL ESQ., I. C. S.,
FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Dewan of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 5th August 1902.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter Political No.57, dated the 28th July 1902, forwarding a copy of the journal of the proceedings of the Government of Mysore dated the 25th idem.

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2. It appears from the resolution that the Sub Registrars appointed in the Bangalore and Mysore Municipalities for the purpose of recording births and deaths are to be held responsible to furnish correct information as to the cause of deaths as well as their number. I am to enquire in what manner the Darbar propose that this responsibility should be enforced.

3.. Presumably, the Sub Registrars can only be held responsible in regard to the correct rendering of the information furnished to them. Unless, moreover, there is

an entirely independent, and automatic, check supplied by the written reports of the cemetery caretakers, there can, in the opinion of the Resident, be no hope of accuracy in the information which may be furnished.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

L. Russell.

First Assistant Resident.

Dy No. 98 P
4.9.02

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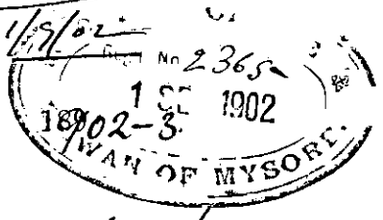

FROM

The President
Municipal Commission
Bangalore City

To

The Secretary to the
Govt. of Mysore
Gen & Rev. Depts

Dated

Despatched

Received 30 Aug. 1902

General No. 57 30
No.

Enclosure No. 2

Requesting to reconsider the order contained in Govt. Notification No. L. B. P 105 dated the 13th Inst., cancelling the obligation of people to obtain certificates before dead bodies are removed for disposal.

Forwarded to the Senior Surgeon & Sanitary Commissioner with the Govt of Mysore for favor of opinion.

By order

3rd Septr 1902 for Secretary

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References early

L. Mr 1/9/02

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Submitted
The file was submitted to the Dewan on the 25/8/1902

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Office of the Municipal Commission,

City, Bangalore, 29th/30 August 1902.

No. 57
Encs: 2

From

THE PRESIDENT,
Municipal Commission,
BANGALORE CITY.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE,
General and Revenue Departments,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose for perusal a letter from the Health Officer - Dr. Palpu in connection with the recent Notification regarding the cancelling the obligation of people to obtain certificates before dead bodies are removed for disposal. Dr. Palpu supports his letter by a similar protest from the late Dr. Bhaksi; and I am certainly of opinion that the matter requires further consideration. From my personal experience I have never heard any murmur against the obligation to obtain certificates

and

and seeing the 27 strong grounds
now put forward by Dr. Palpu
I would request you to strongly
urge Government to re-consider
the order now passed

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Illegible

President

Municipal Commission

Bangalore City

Health Office,

Bangalore City 26th August 1902

No. 367
Encls

From P. Vaithianadha Aiyer Esquire Sanitary Officer
THE HEALTH OFFICER
BANGALORE CITY.

To H. H. Sparkes Esquire.
President 1st
City Municipal Commission
Bangalore

Sir,

With reference to Notification No. 2. B. P 105 dated the 13th August 1902 cancelling the obligation on the part of people to obtain certificates from a Medical Officer before a dead body is removed for disposal, I have the honor to invite your kind attention to this office No. 1143 dated the 16th February 1902 in which I have reported that the abolition of the Death certificate system would be a retrograde step for which there is no necessity. During the time I have been in charge of the office there has been no complaint made by the people of any inconvenience they have been put to by the enforcement of the system. In the prevention of Dangerous Infectious Diseases

Diseases it is essential that accurate and timely information should be available of causes of all deaths that occur in the locality. Without such information it may not often be possible to know that an infectious disease is prevailing till after it has assumed an epidemic form. Such information cannot be available when the death certificate system is abolished. In abolishing death certificates ~~[illegible]~~ Government expect that the Sub Registrars and Burial ground watchmen will be able to give correct information as to the causes of deaths as well as their number. The Burial ground watchmen may be able to give the number of bodies buried or burned in the grounds they have charge of but very often the information they are able to gather from relatives or paid undertakers as to the cause of death, the place of residence of the deceased &c is inaccurate due to ignorance of parties concerned or wilful misinformation on their part so as to avoid disinfection and other measures in the case of deaths from infectious diseases. As regards the Sub Registrars, I have already reported (Vide No 184 dated the 24th July 1902) that the services of most of these have been dispensed with. Out of 50 Sub Registrars there are

are now only 12 in service
viz 2 for each Division. Seeing
that even when the full
number were in service
deaths were occasionally
not detected or reported
it cannot be expected that
the present number will be
able to detect and report
more than a certain percent
age of deaths in their Divi-
sions. Neither the Sub Regis
trars nor the Burial ground
watchmen can be expected
to give any accurate inform
ation as to the cause of death
when qualified Medical men
find it difficult to arrive at
a proper diagnosis even after
inspection of the body which
was a rule
~~never~~ very rarely objected to,
without the aid in many
cases of circumstantial and
other evidence. Bearing on
the case I would therefore
request that you will be
good enough to address Gover
ment that the present order
about Death certificates may
be cancelled and the old
arrangement permitted to
be continued.

I would add that in
this

this matter, the opinion of my predecessor in office - the late Mr Bhoksi was the same. I would invite attention to his No. 251 dated 26th March 1901 to the Plague Commissioners, copy of which is herewith submitted for ready reference.

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

R Rogers L.M.S.

Health Officer, Lansmore City.

Dr

Office of the Chief Plague Office,
Bangalore City Dated the 26th March 1901

No 251

From,
The Chief Plague Officer
Bangalore City

To,
The Plague Commissioner
in Mysore

Sir,

With reference to your memo No 3872-3 dated the 25th Instant forwarding for opinion copy of letter No 9715 dated the 22nd idem from the First Assistant to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, I have the honor to submit the following remarks.

2. Corpse inspection although often necessary to determine the cause of death may not be made except at the desire of the friends or relatives of the deceased who may ask for it with a view to remove suspicion about plague and thereby procure exemption from

from disinfection &c. Subject to this condition I would recommend that the present system of requiring death certificates be continued both during the epidemic season and in the interval

3 It is stated that it is often difficult except when bubonic symptoms are clear in diagnosing cases of death from plague even from inspection of corpses by competent Medical Officer. This is no doubt very true. But opinion as regards causes of death is not necessarily based upon the corpse inspection. There are various points upon which information can be gathered by making enquiry upon the spot which helps considerably in finding it out and when more than one death occurs at short intervals in the same house or within a circumscribed area that in itself is enough to create suspicion of an epidemic disease like plague. It will not be possible to make this enquiry in most of the cases of death if the system of death certificates be abolished. No matter how strict

strict a watch be maintained at the burial or cremation grounds it will not be easy to find out the place of death since the body is disposed off for the purposes of disinfection &c in case of suspicion arising. This is not an imaginary difficulty it was one actually experienced during the first epidemic of plague; more than half the number of deaths occurring during the height of that epidemic used to be returned as due to other causes - a number really 8 or 10 times greater than the normal average number of deaths and yet they were quite unable to localize the deaths for the very simple reason that funeral parties would not give their addresses correctly

I have &c

Sd/ D A Cuthbert
Chief Plague Officer
Bangalore City

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Hon'ble [illegible] City.

Sir

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SECTION Sanit

FILE No. 38 1901-02

Vide page 33 of the Compilation of the Plague Regulations just up.

In modification of notification No.105 dated the 13th August 1902 Government are pleased to direct that the rule laid down in Government notification No.9384-Mis F.21-96 dated the 10th February 1898 and amended by notification No.Pg. n 1467 dated the 31st January 1899, requiring that a certificate should be obtained from a medical officer as to the cause of a person's death before the removal of that dead body in the Cities of Bangalore & Mysore shall continue to be in force so far as the city of Mysore is concerned.

By Order,

21/8/02

Secretary.

To

The Compiler Mysore Gazette for publn. in 3 successive issues of the Gazette and with a reqest that 50 spare English copies may be sent to this office.

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Copy forwarded to the Dy. Commr., Mysore District for inform.

By Order,

21/8/02

Secretary.

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OFFICE OF THE
2920
15 SEP 1902
MYSORE
SENIOR SURGEON'S OFFICE, MYSORE
NO 82 P
DATE 12.9.02
BANGALORE

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From

To

H. V. Nanjundayya Esqr.
M. A., M. L.
Secy to Govt
Genl & Rev: depts
Bangalore

Dated 31

Despatched

Received

General No.

No.

Enclosure No. 3

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Sep 1901-02
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Stating that Senior Surgeon is in favor of Continuing the System of granting death Certificate in the Cities of Bangalore & Mysore.

Reference Ltr
15/9/02

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Srbd. The papers connected with this are before the Darkast.

20/9/1902

Secy reports
Nil
25.9.02

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From

Lt. Col. Percy H. Benson M.B, I.M.S,
Senior Surgeon and Sanitary Commissioner
with the Government of Mysore, Bangalore.

To

H. V. Nanjundayya Esq. M.A, M.L,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore
General and Revenue Departments, Bangalore.

No 82 P
Dated 12 September 1902

Sir,

In returning your Memo dated 3rd Instant with enclosures, forwarding for opinion letter No.57 of 29th August 1902 from the President City Municipality, Bangalore, as regards the grant of death certificates, I have the honor to state in reply that I am led to believe that this order is about to be cancelled as far as Mysore is concerned & that when orders regarding Mysore are definitely passed, I will ask that it may be cancelled also in Bangalore though I fear that Government will not sanction it.

Possibly if plague grows worse they may be induced to do so.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

Ramaswamy Iyengar M.D

For Senior Surgeon and Sanitary Commissioner
Mysore Government.

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ALTERNATIVE

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

DRAFT.

(as proposed by the 2nd Councillor)

To 29

The First Assistant
to the Hon'ble the Resident
in Mysore.

SECTION Sam
FILE NO. 3 of 1901-03
SUB No. 13

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R(G) 201 & 22.9.02

Draft for the Dewan's approval—
18/9

Sir,

Referring to your letter No. 4343 dated the 5th August 1902, I am directed to state that under Section 214 of the Municipal Regulations, every Registrar is bound to obtain correct information about births and deaths and enter it in his registers, and under Govt. order No 1291-3 Pg dated 19th April 1900, he is expected to go round in his circle for the purpose. Under sections 215 and 216 of the Municipal Regulations the house-owners or heads of

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of families of houses, in which a birth or death takes place, or any others Cognizant of the fact, are bound to report such an occurrence to the Registrar of the Division in which they reside.

2. It is not intended to abolish the practice of reports being submitted by Care-takers of Cemeteries. Only these written reports now furnished to the Health Officer are proposed to be transferred to the Registrars which they should Compare with the reports received by them & submit to the Health Officer. It is therefore apprehended that no difficulties will arise in ensuring the Correctness of the information.

I may add that the Resolution of the 25th July 1902 has been ordered to be held in abeyance in the city

after issue, putting a draft order to the President Bangalore City Melts - JB 20/9/1902

city of Mysore where plague is now prevalent in an Epidemic form and that accordingly deaths certificates will Continue to be insisted upon in that city as hereto fore.

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To

The President, Bangalore City
Municipality.

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Referring to Notification No 105 dated the 13th August 1902 abolishing the system of granting ~~death~~ death cetificates, has the honor to request that the President will be so good as to ~~instruct the authori-~~ issue necessary instructions for the despatch reports of the births & burials ~~-ties concerned that reports of death~~ from both talukas direct now being furnished to the Health Officer, Bangalore City, being ~~in future~~ transferred to the Registrars of Divisions ~~which they should~~ who will compare them with the reports received by ~~the~~ them and submit both to the Health Officer.

By Order,

23/9/1902
For Secretary.

Draft as per instructions in the 2nd Para on the 2nd Page of letter no 4428 L B P 201 of 22-9-02 to the 1st Asst. to the Resident

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From

SECY. TO THE GOVT. OF MYSORE,
GEN. & REV. DEPTS.

To

The President, City Mity,
Bangalore.
(Through the Senior Surgeon)

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Dated
Despatched 8/10/02
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General No. 5341
No. 1801/236
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His no.57 dated the 29th August 1902 forwarding letter No.367 of the 26th idem from the Health Officer, Bangalore city, andrecommending for reasons stated the cancellation of notfn. No105dated the 13th August 1902, binding the people of the Bangalore city to obtain certificates before dead bodies are removed for disposal

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In reply has the honor to observe that as Bangalore is more allie to the C.&M. station than Mysore ~~and~~ it

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is inexpedient to introduce a change

of system in Bangalore and that ~~for~~ therefore

~~these reasons~~ Govt. ~~are~~ not prepared

to accede to the recommendation of

the President.

By Order,

30/9/1902

For Secretary.

Mrs.

7. From the President City Municipality Mysore
Dy No 1436. No 866 of 10.5.02

Requests permission to discontinue the system of requiring "Death certificates" in the Mysore city.

8. To the Senior Surgeon, Dy Comm^r & the Presidents
No. 106-116 of 1.8.02.

Forwards Copy No 105 of 13.8.02 the cancellation of the death certificates for information and guidance.

9. From the 1st Asst to the Resident in Mysore
Dy No 1799. No 4343 of 5.8.02

Enquires in what manner the Durbar proposes to hold the Sub Registrars responsible to furnish Correct information as to the Cause of deaths as well as their number.

10. From the President Muni: Commission Bangalore
Dy No 2365/LBP.552 No 579 of 30.8.02.

Requests to reconsider the order Contained in Govt Notfn No LBP.105 dated the 13th Inst Cancelling the Obligation of people to obtain certificates before dead bodies are removed for disposal

To the Dy: Commissioner Mysore District
No 3617/LBP.176 of 10.9.02

Forwards Copy of Notfn No 3616/LBP175 of 10.9.02. re-the Continuance of the death certificate in the City of Mys- for information.

12. From the Senior Surgeon & Sanry: Comm
~~3022~~ No 820 of 12.9.02.

States. Re Continuance of the ~~system of~~ ... ... death certificates in the Cities of Bangalore and Mysore.

13. To the 1st Asst to the Resident in Mysore
No 4428 of 22.9.02
LBP 201

States that every Registrar is bound to Obtain Correct information about births & deaths and enter it in registers. &c

14. To the President Bangalore City Municipality
No 4498 of 23.9.02
LBP 205

Requests to issue necessary instructions for the death reports of the burial & burning ground Bateluru now being furnished direct to the Health Officer Bangalore

15. To the President City Municipality Bangalore
No 5341 of 3.10.02.
LBP 236

Observes that as Bangalore is more allied to C & M Station than Mysore it is inexpedient to introduce a change of system in Bangalore & Govt is prepared to accede to the recommendation